

Flocked Wallpapers Give Room That Elegant Look

When remodeling your home with wallpaper, join the popular trend toward flocked papers. Today, there are lots and lots of flocks to be found in all price ranges.

If you aren't exactly sure what the word "flocked" means, let us give you a bit of background. These wallpapers date back to about 1620 and were originally designed to imitate cut velvet fabric. Samuel Pepys men-

tions in his diary the "Counterfeit damask" in his wife's "closet" — reference historians believe to mean that flocked wallpaper was used in his wife's bedroom.

Furniture fashions are becoming grander and more elegant and it stands to reason that wall coverings must follow the same trend. Thus, the increasing number of flocked patterns being introduced by

both screen printers and machine printers.

The general method of producing flocked wallpaper is much the same as it was several hundred years ago. An adhesive is applied to portions of the design where "flock" (short fibers of material) is to be used. Very simply, the paper is drawn through a "flock" box and the short fibers adhere to the adhesive.

'Tis the Season

Cold Facts May Help With Spring Laundry

This is the season when draperies, curtains, slipcovers and rugs are due for a complete change-over or a thorough cleaning.

Today, many of these items are washable—a fact which gives the homemaker considerable satisfaction, especially with the help of a new detergent product designed for both cold- and hot-water laundering. A file of manufactur-

ers' instruction tags should be your specific guide in cleaning them. And here are some general suggestions—and short cuts.

- When in doubt about fabric or color fastness of washables, use cold water. A detergent such as Cold Water Surf, which works in all water temperatures, is ideal for pre-spotting and for the actual laundering. Use a short, cool cycle on your machine unless you are absolutely certain of fabric reaction. If results are not all that you desire, repeat the process. Two shorts are easier on the fabric than one long.

- Curtains, draperies, and slipcovers should be given a good shaking first to remove smoke, surface dust and grime. Small washable rugs should be pre-cleaned, too.

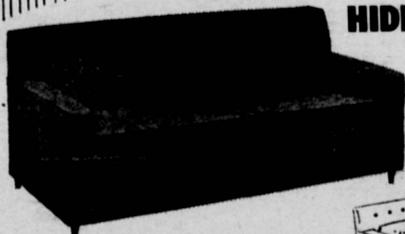
- Use of the tumble cycle on your dryer can save ironing.

- If you are going to put slipcovers back on, do it when they are slightly damp. They will "give" to fit the furniture. (The exception is with completely shrinkproof and stretch fabrics which should be bone-dry).

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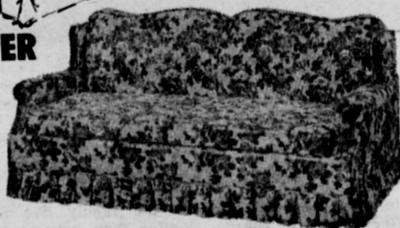


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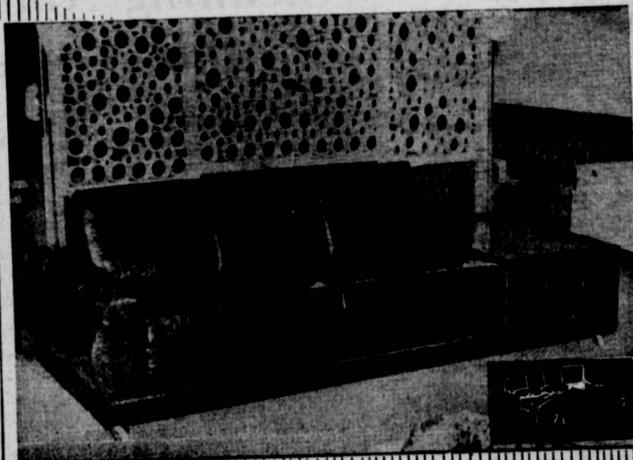
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